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## JAPANESE LOSS IS UNCERTAIN.

Chinese Transports Succeeded in Landing Troops of the Second and Corps.

(By Associated Press.) LONDON, Sept. 19.—Despatches received here from Shanghai confirm the report of a severe battle fought on the Yalu River, between the fleets of China and Japan.

The Chinese ships were escorting troops bound for Corea. The troops were the Second Army Corps, composed entirely of Hunanese.

According to the Chinese version, there was no thought of surrender on either side. The ships of both nations were terribly damaged. The Japanese had the advantage of the weather berth.

The Chinese fleet lacked room for maneuvering.

The Chen-Yuen, these despatches say, after fighting her guns to the last, was sunk by torpedoes, and a smaller Chinese vessel, which was unarmed, was blown up.

The steel cruiser Chao-Yung, it is added, was so damaged that she had to be beached to escape capture, while the cruiser Yang-Wei was driven ashore, and has become a hopeless wreck. Both these ships are said to have been on fire.

The Chinese claim that three Japanese warships were sunk, but their names are not given.

Further despatches state that in the battle, the entire fleet of the Chinese was engaged, reinforced by some ships of the Foo-Chow squadron. The Chen-Yuen was the flagship of the northern fleet, and was commanded by Admiral Ting.

The number of Japanese warships engaged is not stated, but as many of their vessels were stationed off Ping-Yang, their number must have been small.

From Chinese admissions it is gathered that the losses on both sides in the naval engagement will total up several thousand.

A Times despatch says that the Japanese fleet commenced the attack on the Chinese fleet at 5 P. M. The Chinese lost four ships. The Chen-Yuen was sunk, the King-Yuen was burned and the Chao-Yung and the Yang-Wei were stranded and partly burned.

The Chi-Yuen, the Chinese vessel which was engaged in the fight of July 25, escaped, and it is presumed that she is safe.

The despatch to the Times also agrees in saying that the Japanese are supposed to have lost three ships, and it adds that many Chinese were killed and wounded, among the injured being Admiral Ting, Col. von Hannekin and Capt. Tyler, the two latter being foreign volunteers.

The Times correspondent confirms the statement that the Chinese were successful in landing the troops, which was the object of the fleet's presence at the mouth of the Yalu River.

A despatch from Shanghai, dated 7:40 P. M. to-day, says that later despatches received there say that twelve Chinese warships arrived at Port Arthur for repairs yesterday.

This despatch also states that the attack on the Chinese at Yalu was made by a fleet of nineteen Japanese warships, accompanied by a flotilla of torpedo boats.

Then followed a terrific contest, lasting six hours, during which the great guns, rapid fire guns and machine guns of all sorts were used with fearful effect on both sides. Both fleets also used torpedoes repeatedly.

The News at Washington. (By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—Secretary Graham today received three cablegrams from the seat of war in the Orient. One from Mr. Denby, Minister to China, dated today, reads as follows: "Naval engagement off North Korea, the 17th. Five Chinese and three Japanese vessels reported destroyed. Fleet at Port Arthur."

Another, also from Minister Denby, bears date of yesterday, and reads as follows: "Telegraphic communication between Pekin and Chinese Army in Corea cut off by Japanese."

The other despatch was from Minister Dun, at Tokio, and was as follows: "TOKIO, Sept. 19.—The following received from the United States Minister at Seoul: 'Peking cable. Japanese Chinese Army totally annihilated at Ping-Yang.'"

The Department supposes the place named is Ping Yang.

CHOLERA REPORTS ABROAD. A Week's Cases in East Prussia, Rhine District and Bilets.

BERLIN, Sept. 19.—For the week ending Sept. 17, in East Prussia there were twenty-eight new cases of cholera and nine deaths from that disease.

In the Elbe district one new case of cholera was reported and one case was announced at Heese-Nassau.

In the Rhine district, two new cases of cholera and two deaths were reported, and in Bilets there were twenty-four new cases of cholera and twenty-three deaths.

Will Form a Tin-Plate Company. (By Associated Press.) LONDON, Sept. 19.—The Daily News says that one of the wealthiest of Amer-

ican iron and steel masters, who is now in England, announces that he and several of his friends are so satisfied with the prospects of tin-plate making in the United States that they are forming a private company to commence the manufacture of tin-plate on a scale that will immensely increase the American output.

## CHOLERA CAUSES RIOTS.

Ministry Needed to Check Resistance to Sanitary Precautions.

(By Associated Press.) LONDON, Sept. 19.—A despatch to The Standard from Vienna says that the official bulletins largely underestimate the rapid spread of cholera in Galicia. It adds that the first case of the disease was reported to-day at Moravia.

Riots, caused by attempts to enforce the sanitary regulations, have occurred in several places, and the disorders were so serious that it was necessary to call upon the military to suppress them.

Miners Bitten by Police. (By Associated Press.) EDINBURGH, Sept. 19.—In a fight which took place yesterday evening between 100 police constables and a picket line of 1,000 miners, the latter were severely beaten. The miners were driven back, but were ultimately driven back, with many injured.

## CLAUSEN ANGRY AGAIN.

He Wanted a Supervising Architect Recommended.

At the meeting of the Park Board to-day, Commissioner Bell offered a resolution that Messrs. Chase, West, Claussen and Robinson be recommended as competent to fill the place of landscape architect to supervise the work on the Harlem River Drive.

Mr. Claussen, who had written to the Mayor some time ago, protesting against the failure of the Park Board to appoint such an architect, objected to Mr. Bell's resolution.

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## SHIRTMAKERS ARE AGITATING.

3,000 of Them Preparing for a Movement Against Low Wages.

## Mass Meetings Called to Discuss Ways and Means.

Shirtmakers to the number of 3,000 are preparing for a general strike against the present low wages and the sweating system. The workers in three shops, who struck yesterday for an increase of four cents a dozen, sounded the key-note in all the sweat shops on the east side, and, coupled with the success of the coatmakers and the cloakmakers, the shirtmakers—a far more impoverished lot than the men and women who have just won a signal victory—feel sufficiently encouraged to begin a general movement all along the line.

They are organized fairly well in local assemblies of the Knights of Labor and in independent unions, but there are many shirtmakers who are so dependent upon the sweaters that they are in almost total ignorance of the rights they are permitted to earn. These wages do not average \$1 a week, the hours of work are many, and the sweat shops miserable ill-ventilated rooms in crowded neighborhoods.

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## HAVE RIGHTS IN EQUITY.

Says Justice Patterson of Levy Bros' Creditors.

## Supt. to Captains.

Byrnes Lectures Precinct Commanders on Election Matters.

Tells Them to Be Perfectly Neutral in Their Official Acts.

Excuse Violations and Lexow Witnesses' Persecution Mentioned.

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The captains who were approached on the subject refused to say what matter was discussed, but the Superintendent said that the gist of the Superintendent's remarks, as far as the precinct commanders were concerned, was that the Superintendent made known his wishes with regard to the matter. The captains, it was hinted, should be perfectly neutral in their position and to discourage any effort upon the part of subordinates to exercise any kind of influence at the polls.

The enforcement of the Lexow law was also mentioned, and the result of the club are watching the lodging houses and tenements in these districts, and propose to make a bitter warfare against illegal voters throughout the downtown precincts. It is stated that Good Government Club X will work in harmony with other anti-tammy organizations in the lower districts, for the purpose of driving out the Tiger.

ANTI-TAMMY PRIMARIES. To Be Held Friday Evening and the Convention Set Tuesday.

Primaries of the Anti-Tammy Democracy will be held Friday evening. The polls will be open from 7 to 9 o'clock. The County Convention is to be held in the Lyceum Opera-House, Thirty-fourth street, near Third avenue, Sept. 25. Following is list of candidates in the various Assembly districts:

First, 34th street, Second, 40th street, Third, 46th street, Fourth, 52nd street, Fifth, 58th street, Sixth, 64th street, Seventh, 70th street, Eighth, 76th street, Ninth, 82nd street, Tenth, 88th street, Eleventh, 94th street, Twelfth, 100th street, Thirteenth, 106th street, Fourteenth, 112th street, Fifteenth, 118th street, Sixteenth, 124th street, Seventeenth, 130th street, Eighteenth, 136th street, Nineteenth, 142nd street, Twentieth, 148th street, Twenty-first, 154th street, Twenty-second, 160th street, Twenty-third, 166th street, Twenty-fourth, 172nd street, Twenty-fifth, 178th street, Twenty-sixth, 184th street, Twenty-seventh, 190th street, Twenty-eighth, 196th street, Twenty-ninth, 202nd street, Thirtieth, 208th street, Thirty-first, 214th street, Thirty-second, 220th street, Thirty-third, 226th street, Thirty-fourth, 232nd street, Thirty-fifth, 238th street, Thirty-sixth, 244th street, Thirty-seventh, 250th street, Thirty-eighth, 256th street, Thirty-ninth, 262nd street, 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676th street, One hundred and ninth, 682nd street, One hundred and tenth, 688th street, One hundred and eleventh, 694th street, One hundred and twelfth, 700th street, One hundred and thirteenth, 706th street, One hundred and fourteenth, 712th street, One hundred and fifteenth, 718th street, One hundred and sixteenth, 724th street, One hundred and seventeenth, 730th street, One hundred and eighteenth, 736th street, One hundred and nineteenth, 742nd street, One hundred and twentieth, 748th street, One hundred and twenty-first, 754th street, One hundred and twenty-second, 760th street, One hundred and twenty-third, 766th street, One hundred and twenty-fourth, 772nd street, One hundred and twenty-fifth, 778th street, One hundred and twenty-sixth, 784th street, One hundred and twenty-seventh, 790th street, One hundred and twenty-eighth, 796th street, One hundred and twenty-ninth, 802nd street, One hundred and thirtieth, 808th street, One hundred and thirty-first, 814th street, One hundred 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